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To: County Superintendents of Schools, County Auditors, and County
Treasurers

From: Janet Sterling, Director
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Subject: 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment

At the end of February, county treasurers will receive a warrant which reflects state aid for programs included in the 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment for elementary, high, and unified school districts, charter schools and county offices of education. The 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment statewide equals \$16.565 billion.

Enclosed are exhibits that provide the detail regarding the 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment and prior-year corrections. An exhibit is distributed for a particular local educational agency (LEA) only if the exhibit is relevant to that LEA's funding. Please note that exhibits for the Special Education apportionment will be sent in a separate mailing.

Also enclosed is a summary of the method by which the 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment was calculated, a list of exhibits, and a list of the staff of the School Fiscal Services Division (SFSD) to assist you if you have questions regarding this apportionment.

After you have reviewed the computations, please advise by telephone or e-mail, the appropriate SFSD staff of any discrepancy. In addition, please confirm by letter to Katherine Ely, Manager of the Principal Apportionment Unit, at 560 J Street, Suite 150, Sacramento, CA 95814.

For your convenience, a copy of this letter and Exhibits B and C are available on SFSD's Internet web site under Principal Apportionments at www.cde.ca.gov/sfsdiv/.

Note to County Superintendents: Please advise districts and charter schools of this apportionment as soon as possible by providing them a copy of this letter and of the applicable exhibits.

Enclosures

Calculation of the 1999-2000 First Principal Apportionment

School District Revenue Limit

Necessary Small Schools. Actual 1999-2000 P-1 ADA for necessary small schools and the current funding tables for necessary small schools were used to determine the 1999-2000 P-1 allowances.

Meals for Needy Pupils. The 1998-99 Annual amounts for meals for needy pupils were increased by the 1.41 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

Unemployment Insurance. The 1998-99 Annual amounts reported for unemployment insurance were carried forward without change for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

Continuation Schools. The 1998-99 P-2 ADA for continuation schools was multiplied by \$8.649074654 (dollar amount of 1999-2000 COLA) and added to the 1998-99 Annual amounts for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment. Newly approved schools for 1999-2000 were also included in the calculation.

PERS Reduction. The 1998-99 Annual amounts for the PERS reduction were carried forward without change for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

Summer School. The 1998-99 Annual amounts for Core and Proficiency summer school were increased by the 1.41 percent COLA for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

K-4 Intensive Reading Program. Actual 1999-2000 P-1 hours for the K-4 intensive reading program were used to determine the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

Apprentice Program. The lesser of 1998-99 actual reported hours or the 1998-99 cap hours for the apprentice program were multiplied by \$4.86 for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment.

Community Day School. The 1998-99 Annual amounts for community day schools were increased by the 1.41 percent COLA for the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment. Schools with newly approved waivers will receive the amount from the current funding table for necessary small high schools.

Adult Education

The entitlement for adult education was computed using the lesser of 1998-99 Annual reported ADA or the 1998-99 adult education ADA cap, increased by a growth factor of 2.5 percent, pursuant to E.C. 52616.17 (d). The 1999-2000 adult education revenue limit COLA/equalization amount was calculated pursuant to E.C. 52616.16.

GATE

Actual 1999-2000 P-1 reported pupils for the GATE program and the current rate sheet, which includes a 1.41 percent COLA, were used to determine the 1999-2000 P-1 entitlement. For county offices or districts that reported over fifty pupils the current statewide average of \$9.85 per ADA, which includes a 1.41 percent COLA, was used to determine the 1999-2000 P-1 entitlement.

ROC/P

The lesser of the 1998-99 Annual reported ADA or the 1998-99 ROC/P ADA Base for regional occupational centers and programs, increased by a growth factor was used to compute the 1999-2000 P-1 apportionment. The 1.41 percent COLA equals \$39 per ADA, which was added to the calculated weighted base for each ROC/P.

County Office of Education

Pursuant to SB 586, Chapter 680, Statutes of 1999, the revenue limits for Other Purpose, Operations, and Capital Outlay have been recalculated to combine all three programs. One revenue limit per ADA has been created by taking the total amounts received by each county office in 1998-99 for Other Purpose, Operations, and Capital Outlay, adding the amount as specified in SB 586, then dividing the total dollars by the 1998-99 Other Purpose ADA. The 1999-2000 COLA of 1.41 percent has been applied to the recalculated revenue limit per ADA.

Special Education revenue limit funds transferred from districts to counties have been adjusted by a factor established pursuant to Education Code Section 42238.95. The factor was also applied to the 1998-99 Annual transfer amount.

Charter Schools

The apportionment for charter schools was computed using two funding methodologies: Exhibit N provides the computation for charter schools that are funded through the district revenue limits and Exhibit N-1 provides the computation for charter schools that are funded through the block grant funding model. Exhibit C-CH provides a detail summary for charter schools locally funded through the block grant. (Note: Exhibit C-CH is for informational purposes only and is included in the district totals on the Exhibit C). Exhibits G-17 and G-19 provide corrections to prior years for specified charter schools.

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